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## Council clears school of bullying allegations

**BY CARL MUNGAZI** 

SCHOOL investigated over claims of bullying and intimida-tion has been cleared.

Luton Borough Council said it has found that Lealands High School had 'followed its policies and procedures correctly' in light of a number of claims made

John Burridge, the school's headteacher, said the past few months had been a 'very difficult and upsetting time' for him and the school.

The allegations first came to light at the beginning of this year after the whistleblower sent an email making a series of allegations, including criticism of the way controlled assessments are administered, to the council:

Ofsted; exam boards and unions; and politicians in the town.

Since then, the authority said it has reviewed evidence which 'does not support any of the allegations raised by the whistle blower.'

Council officers interviewed staff and the complainant, and looked at the school's policies and other documents.

In a statement, Mr Burridge said: "The past few months have been a very difficult and upsetting time for the school and me, personally.

"It is very unfortunate that someone felt it necessary to pursue this course of action, but I

respect their right to do so.
"I take my responsibilities very seriously and continue to work extremely hard, with the support of a fantastic staff team and school community, to secure the

best possible education for the children in our care.

"Now that the investigation is concluded, I hope that we can continue to move forward and focus on being the best school we can be."

A spokeswoman for Luton council said: "Our investigation has found that the school has followed its policies and procedures correctly and the evidence reviewed does not support any of the allegations raised by the whistleblower.

"If an employee makes an allegation in good faith, but it is not confirmed by the investigation, no action will be taken against

"If however, an allegation is made frivolously, maliciously or for personal gain, disciplinary action, may be taken by the school."

#### newsbriefs

#### POLICE BIKES HELP TACKLE CRIME

A CRACKDOWN on the illegal and dangerous practice of riding off-road bikes in public places has begun in Houghton Regis and Luton.

In order to combat the antisocial behaviour, the force has commissioned two off-road police bikes to help target those committing the offences.

On Tuesday and Wednesday last week a team of 24 police staff took to the streets, along with two road policing officers on the

specially-enlisted bikes. The initiative, called Operation Meteor, resulted in two arrests in Houghton Regis.

Officers also visited two addresses as a result of reports from the public on incidents of dangerous behaviour.

#### **UNIVERSITY HOLDS EU DEBATE**

A DEBATE about Britain's place in Europe, organised by and hosted at the University of Bedfordshire last Wednesday was hailed as the first of its kind for 50 years

The Britain in Europe Conference brought together academics, journalists and politicians from across the country to discuss issues such as British Euroscepticism, how the European Union is presented in the media, and what an EU exit following 2017's planned referendum would mean for the nation.

The university's Vice Chancellor Bill Rammell spoke at the event, drawing on his back-ground as ex-Foreign Office Minister and former chairman of Labour's Britain in Europe Group.

#### **TEEN COMPETES IN BEAUTY COMP**

A LUTON college student will be representing the town in a beauty pageant for Miss Guyana UK later this year.

Taryn Harris, 17, from Leagrave, will take part in the finals on November 21 after successfully negotiating her way through an audition held last

The Luton Sixth Form student is hoping to raise £600 in sponsorship fees between now and then to help cover her costs for the competition. If she wins, she will be flown to Guvana to compete for Miss World Guyana.

#### Church's plans for cinema foiled by planners

PLANNING proposals to turn an iconic building into a church and community centre have been thrown

Luton Borough Council has said plans to partially convert the ABC Cinema into a church were not in line with its own proposals to turn the town into an 'effective and diverse sub-regional centre'.

Last month, the church behind the application, In His Presence Worship Ministries, told *Luton on Sunday* it wanted to expand into the cinema

and make it 'open for all'.

Reverend David Foh-Amoaning, the head of the church, said he was

'disappointed' with the decision.

A council spokesman said: "It is considered that the granting of temporary consent for use as a place of worship would not facilitate the redevelopment of this prominent site within the central shopping area as the predominant activities of a use of this kind would take place outside the core shopping and leisure times and therefore it fails to contribute to the regeneration of the town centre in the short term



NOT IN THE VISION: The church conversion does not fit the council's plan



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## Bin charge plan met with scorn



RUBBISH: Residents are angry at plans to charge £35 to have garden waste bins emptied

#### BY NICK SMITH

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PLANS which could see residents being charged an annual fee to have garden waste collected have come under fire.

The leader of Luton Liberal Democrats David Franks, along with a number of the town's residents. have expressed opposition to a proposal put forward by Luton Borough Council to impose a £35 yearly charge to have garden waste bins emptied.

The idea was proposed in the medium term financial plan, which was approved in a full council meeting on February 23.

Any introduction, if it does happen, would be no earlier than April next year.

Cllr Franks said: "We accept that plans can change and the £35 brown bins tax could be increased, reduced or scrapped altogether.

"But this Labour run council has already rejected one attempt to remove it from the medium term financial plan." Labour Cllr Sian Timoney

rebuked his remarks, saying: "It's something yet to be looked at or discussed and has just been set out in the plan as a possibility. "It can't be introduced

until it's been discussed by the council."

A spokesman for Luton Borough Council said: "We expect that it will need to identify further ongoing savings of £47 million from 2016-20 and a number of potential options have been identified to meet

this.

"One of the options in the council's mid-term plan is to charge for brown bin collection. Any decision on this would be taken as part of the budget-setting proposals for the financial year 2016-17."

On our website and social media we asked you, our readers, what you thought

of the proposal.

Around 88 per cent of those who voted in our online poll were against the introduction of the increase, versus 12 per cent who were in favour of the change. While on social media the response was largely negative with a number of comments from infuriated residents

#### What do our readers think?

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TRIBUTES: Flowers and rugby shirts were left at the scene of the collision which killed Mark Davey, inset, after he had been racing his Audi R8 against a black Porsche 911 down the A6 near Wixams

## Man was 'racing' before car crash

BY NICK SMITH

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AN inquest has concluded that a man who died after his sports car crashed into a roundabout was racing at the time.

Luton man Mark Davey was racing his Audi R8 against a black Porsche 911 when he

crashed on the A6 near Wixams last September. Mr Davey, 33, died from severe head and brain injuries after he hit the roundabout on September 13.

During an inquest held into his death at Ampthill Coroner's Court this week. Senior Coroner Tom Osborne concluded: "The deceased was racing with another vehicle at high speed when it collided with a roundabout.

"The collision happened at 48mph and saw the car propelled into the air, before it landed on its roof.

"He suffered serious inju-

ries resulting in his death."
Following his death, tributes were left to Mr Davey at the side of the road, from

friends and family and also Luton Rugby Club, which he played for.

The club also postponed a TV appearance and dedicated its next match following the crash in memory of him

He was driving home from an away game after playing for the club at Bedford Swifts when it happened. The driver of the Porsche drove away and has yet to be identified.

Coroner Tom Osborne con-cluded Mr Davey died as a result of a road traffic colli-

#### Police hunt thieves after two Corsas are stolen

DETECTIVES are investigating the theft of two cars in Marsh Farm.

A Vauxhall Corsa was taken sometime between 11pm on Sunday and 6am Monday in Morris

It was then burnt

out and dumped in a field.

In the second theft, a Corsa was taken from Wexham Close sometime between 7pm Monday and 7am Tuesday morning.

Last month, Luton on Sunday revealed

that from January 2014 to February 2015 the most stolen cars in the county were Vauxhall Corsas (44) with Astras following close behind on 38. A Bedfordshire Police spokeswom-an said: "We would

appeal for anyone with information on either of these offences to contact us on the non-emergency police num-ber 101.

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NO FARE: Some private hire drivers took to the streets to express their dissatisfaction with the council

#### Meter is running on private hire union demands

THE chair of a driver's union which was on strike this week has said they are now waiting for the council's response to their demands

Mushtaq Ahmed, from the Luton Borough Driver's Union, said some private hire drivers took action on Wednesday because they wanted better working conditions.

The strike began in Leagrave and finished up outside the Town Hall.

The union has been in discussion with Luton Borough Council over a number of issues, including access to bus lanes, permission to have manufactured tinted windows and five minutes 'grace' when

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stopping in the town centre. In a statement, the council said its 'primary concern is

would 'continue to engage with the union and other drivers and

Mr Ahmed said: "We had phase one and today was phase two, and it was just to show that we are together and what our demands are

"It's to show that we do have support and now phase three is going to be a bit drastic.
"We have given them a week

and it could be longer but they have our email and what our demands are."

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## Disabled man wins £7.3m NHS payout

**BY CARL MUNGAZI** 

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A MAN left severely disabled after being born with a vitamin deficiency has won more than £7 million in compensation from the NHS.

The 24-year-old, who cannot be named for legal reasons, was not offered a vitamin K injec-

tion by medics who attended his birth at the Luton & Dunstable Hospital in 1989.

Controversy has dogged the administration of vitamin K to young babies, as it has been linked by some research with the development of childhood leukemia.

But new mothers are still routinely offered the injections for their children since, in rare cases, babies born with a lack of vitamin K can suffer brain damage, or even die, due to internal haem-

orthaging.

Robert Glancy QC, acting for the family, told London's High Court the man's mother was never told of the pros and cons of having her child injected with the vitamin. Despite it being mandatory for the drug to be offered at the time, she was not given the option either of the injection or an ord lower of vitamin V for her hely. tion or an oral course of vitamin K for her baby. Tragically, her son was not diagnosed as suffer-

ing from the deficiency until three months after his birth, by which time he had endured lasting physical and cognitive disabilities. Through his mother, the man sued East of England Strategic Health Authority-the NHS body which employed

the medical staff who attended his birth.
The payout consisted of a lump sum of £2.3m plus annual, index-linked, and tax free payments to cover the costs of his care for life which will start at £181,100, before gradually decreasing over time.

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Council from its foundation in 1896 until its demise in 1933 and was given the honour of naming three new roads laid out in the 1920s. Breed chose the titles of three of his favour-

ite novels by Benjamin Disraeli (1804–1881), twice Conservative Prime Minister and opponent of William Gladstone (see Gladstone Avenue in LU1). Disraeli found time to write 14 other works while pursuing politics.

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#### Disillusioned with politics

HERE's some free advice for Ed and Dave. Don't make promises you can't keep. We've heard it all before. All I think when I hear your manifestos is 'promises, promises'. Thats all they are, at the end of the day. Inhn Turker

Bracklesham Gardens

#### Greens do nothing for Ron

NATALIE Bennett, leader of the Green Party is urging us to join her revolution to tackle climate change.

What a cheek.

She hails from Australia which is by far the biggest polluter by head of population in the developed world. In addition to all their own pollution they are busily exporting millions of tons of coal to China and India. Are they pretending they don't know what the Chinese and Indians are doing with it?

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The UK produces less than three per cent of the world's man-made CO2, so even if the Greens are right and man-made CO2 is to blame for climate change, we aren't really part of the problem.

Ms Bennett should pack her bags and head back down under where there really could be a problem worth solving.

Go home Ms Bennett.

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#### Time school staff spoke up

I AM writing in reference to the recent Lealands whistleblower allegations in the press and on social media.

I have been employed at Lealands High School since October 2008. I have seen the school physically transformed from the dreary old building that it once was into the bright and vibrant place that it is now with a strong positive ethos, dedicated staff and excellent students.

When staff were first informed of these allega-

tions we were told that the local authority would be investigating the claims fully and were asked to respect that process. However staff are massively frustrated that the whistle-blower has a voice but we do not. That frustration has driven me to write in the hope that we can conclude this unfortunate chapter. Philip Payne

Community Development Manager at Lealands High School



#### Religious schools only divide us

I WAS angry and disappointed when I learned that Sundon Park library was to close.

But my jaw dropped when I heard the premises could become a pre-school for up to 100 children. Anyone who's tried to find a parking space there will understand my dismay. But the next development was even worse.

It seems there are plans afoot to eventually turn it into a faith school. Utter madness.

The biggest single impact that faith schools have on societies is to emphasise and strengthen the divisions within them. So for a government or local authority to encourage or even allow the opening of more of these iniquitous institutions of misunderstanding, prejudice, and bigotry they are actively helping to preserve major barriers to co-existence and harmony. Shame on them.

Far from allowing more faith schools to be opened we should be withdrawing all state funding from them and stamping them out. Some argue that religions give us moral

guidance and draw us together but given the many horrific conflicts currently raging across Africa and Asia only the most wilfully obtuse can fail to grasp the bitter irony of this.

If parents want to give their children religious instruction that's up to them but the subject should not be given the kudos of appearing to have state approval by including it in normal school hours or even on school premises.

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# 'Culture has changed since 2013 shootings'

BY CARL MUNGAZI

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YOUNG people have changed in the two years since fatherof-three Paul Foster was killed during a spate of gunrelated crime, a community worker has said.

Mark Clarke, head of Walk to Freedom, a Luton-based organisation that helps drug and alcohol addicts in Bedfordshire, said he has seen more young people in Luton 'crying out' for change.

Mr Foster was shot in the chest on April 9 in 2013 during a five-month period where Bedfordshire Police investigated 16 gun-related incidents.

The force said the anti-gun and gang crime operation it started in response to the shootings has seen more than 200 people arrested and 78 people charged.

No-one has been convicted in connection with Mr Foster's murder, but detectives said they have been working to 'disrupt gang activity' and 'address the issues around gangs and gunrelated crime'.

Mr Clarke said he 'com-



MURDERED: Paul Foster

mended' the police for the work they had done and added that all organisations in the town had to continue working together.

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He said: "Things are quiet, but that's not to say that there's absolutely nothing happening.

happening.

"A lot of the young people we are engaging with at the moment are realising that so many people have been put away.

"They want to change their lives now.

lives now.

"Whether they are involved or not is one thing, but they are actually saying it and that is a good thing", he added.

"I know a number of people

"I know a number of people have been moved out of the area and young people want to make a change, but what they are crying out for is an alternative to that lifestyle."

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"We are developing programs to help that.

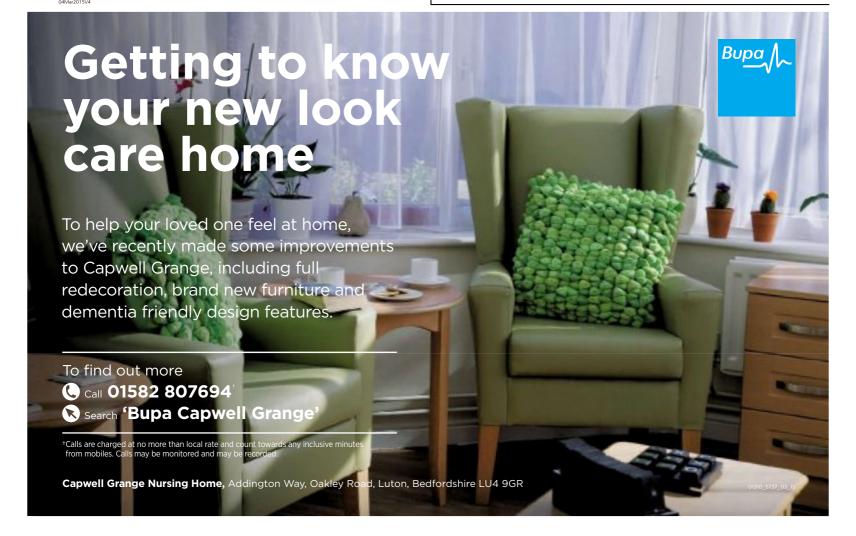
grams to help that.

"What you get is that these young people who are stealing or whatever, but what society does not realise is that they have more to give."

they have more to give."

Detective Inspector Robert Regan, added: "We work closely with a number of partner agencies to address the issues around gangs and gun-related crime to prevent any further tragedies in our communities.

"This is an ongoing piece of work and we meet regularly with partners including Luton Borough Council to identify potential issues at an early stage and put in interventions to support young people who are showing signs of getting involved with ganglelated activity."



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# Carnival is back in town this May

BY CARL MUNGAZI

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GET out your diary, the date for Luton Carnival has been announced!

This year, Luton on Sunday is partnering up

This year, *Luton on Sunday* is partnering up with organisers to bring you one fantastic day of fun.

The parade will leave Wardown Park at 1.30pm on May 24 and wind through the town centre before finishing back at the park.

A spokeswoman for the UK Centre for Carnival Arts (UKCCA) said it 'promises to be full of entertainment and colour' with the usual mix of food, music and dance.

Hopeton Walker, chair of UKCCA board, added: "One of the highlights of the Luton calendar is the Luton International Carnival, a fantastic event that showcases what the town has to offer – the artistic flair, the community involvement and wealth of talents



and skills. It is a great day out for the family."
Thousands attended last year's event and lined the streets to see the various carnival groups walk past

#### Time's running out to vote for your sports hero

IF you have not already done so, then make sure to cast your vote in this year's Sports Awards today as the deadline is midnight tonight.

The nominations for the awards, held by Luton Sports Network and sponsored by *Luton on Sunday*, have all come in and all that is left now is for you, our readers, to choose who you think should be this year's Sports Personality of the Year winner.

You can vote by visiting our website luton-dunstable.co.uk and choosing from our selection of candidates. The awards are being held at Venue 360 next Friday and the guest speaker is Paralympian Megan Harris

Some of the trophies up for grabs this year include Sports Man of the Year, Sports Team of the Year, Sports Woman of the Year and the Service to Sport award.

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FOUR candidates and one representative sat in front of the Eastside Theatre at Luton Sixth Form College this week, preparing to field a number of tough questions from keen poli-

tics students. Labour's Kelvin Hopkins, who is looking for his fifth term as MP, was joined by Conservative Dean Russell, the Green Party's Sofiya Ahmed and UKIP's Allan White with Luton's Liberal Democrat leader David Franks stepping in for his party's candidate Aroosa Ulzaman, who was unable to attend the event due to personal reasons

In the 90 minute hustings, the candidates took on a number of challenging questions from the audience, which at times got a bit heated, particularly between Ms Ahmed and Mr White, calling on chairwom-an Sophy Lelliott, a student at the sixth form, to move the debate forwards.

The evening covered a number of topics, ranging from the UK's continued On Thursday evening hopefuls for a seat in Luton North gathered at the Sixth Form College for a head-to-head debate. Reporter NICK SMITH went along to hear why candidates believe youngsters in the town why they should get their vote. . .

membership of the European Union, the Human Rights Act and the environment.

However, arguably the most relevant question of the evening to the audience was what each candidate can bring to the often forgotten group of young voters and how they will ensure that their voices are heard.

Ms Ahmed got a warm reception for her answer, saying: "Young people are being screwed over by gov-ernments because we're not reliable voters.

"Pensioners are listened to because the parties know they're guaranteed voters.

"Unless young people become active in politics, the main parties are not going to take notice of our interests."

The idea was shared by almost all of the others, who promised equal representa-tion for all citizens, with an impetus on gaining support

of young people.

Mr Russell took a different approach from the call to action, saying that new industries need to be brought to Luton in order to secure the town's future and keep the current generation here, instead of leaving for London or the big industrial hubs in the north.

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've been on business in Germany recently and you never meet in the major cities, you meet in the smaller towns outside.

"We need to make Luton like that and the way to do that is to bring 21st century jobs into the town.

He also focused on increased accountability for representatives and promised more interaction between the MP and those who they represent.

Concluding the event, Luton Sixth Form College principal Chris Nicholls said: "I'm both here as principal and also someone who has an avid interest in politics.

"I can honestly say the quality here, in terms of the questions, panelists and the chairing of the event has been better than most **BBC** Ouestion Times.





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## Man who abused young girl is jailed

BY JULIA SUTTON editor@lsnmedia.co.uk

A MAN who befriended a single mother at a church went on to sexually abuse her

young daughter at his home.
David Peck, 63, was jailed for four years on Monday for carrying out four sexual assaults on the child, who was aged between five and seven.

Luton Crown Court heard that David Peck and his wife were trusted by the girl's mother and they became 'like family', even going on holiday

Prosecutor Robert Forrest said the offences took place between July 2012 and July

They came to light on Bank Holiday Monday last August.

The next morning she came downstairs and said: "Mum, can I tell you something? David has been touching me.

A meeting was arranged at the church and when Peck was confronted he said: "I did it" or "She's not lying," said

Peck handed himself in to Luton police station.

Stuart Sprawson, defending, said Peck had voluntarily sought counselling and pleaded guilty at the first

opportunity.

"As soon as the events were disclosed, he met the mother with his wife and made full admissions," he said.

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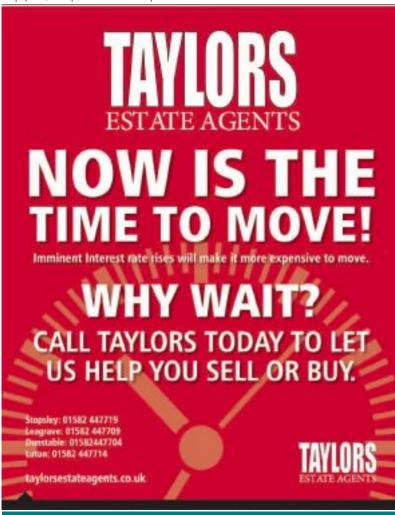
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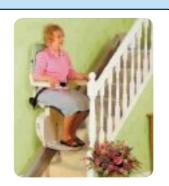


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By Sam Potter

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# Town to host human trafficking gathering

BY CARL MUNGAZI

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EXPERTS from all over the country will be meeting next month to shed light on the 'hidden crime' of human trafficking.

Myrna Loy, a safeguarding administrator based in Marsh Farm, will be hosting the event on May 19 along with Bristol-based anti-trafficking charity Unchosen.

Ms Loy, who experienced

Ms Loy, who experienced abuse as a child when she was in foster care, said human trafficking has become a 'passion' of hers ever since she started looking into the subject in recent years.

Bedfordshire Police say it is

Bedfordshire Police say it is 'a hidden crime' and 'hard to gauge'. Recorded figures for Luton show the town had ten cases of trafficking between 2010 and 2014, including five of sexual exploitation and one of domestic servitude.

According to Crimestoppers UK, human trafficking is the second most profitable crime after drugs and has an annual value of around £20m.

Ms Loy said she is able to empathise with victims as she knows what it is like to be



'taken out of a caring environment and taken somewhere else'.

Among those attending the conference at the Hat Factory will be the UK's anti-slavery commissioner Keyin Hyland

commissioner Kevin Hyland. Ms Loy said: "I have been an abused woman so I can empathise, but I have not been abused to the extent of those who have been through organised crime.

"I was too trusting and adults who I trusted took advantage of me. When you think about exploitation, it can be anything. "When people think about human trafficking, they isolate themselves and think that it happens in third world countries, but as an abused woman I want to show what it feels like."

During the conference delegates will watch films about the subject provided by Unchosen.

The charity holds yearly competitions in which groups and individuals attempt to make the best film highlighting the issue.

Ms Loy added: "What the film is supposed to do is to help delegates be aware of the signs of abuse, and what stands out to me is that anybody could be a victim. "You get people who are out

"You get people who are out work or parents who tell their kids to leave because they are not contributing enough, so these people are desperate for a job and they are put in the hands of traffickers.

hands of traffickers.

"And the traffickers are waiting and looking for them, and the people who are vulnerable go to them.

"It then becomes a vicious circle because they cannot get out."

■ The conference will be held from 6.30-9.30pm.





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# No Turkish Delight for charity cyclists

BY CARL MUNGAZI

TWO men on a worldwide charity cycle ride have spoken of their relief after being stranded in Turkey. Amer Nazir and his col-league Abuzar Kazmi, both

from Luton, were due to fly from Turkey to Georgia on April 11 but missed their flight after being given boarding passes for a closed flight.

They then managed to fly out the next day but their bikes were left behind and had to be sent on April 13.

The pair have managed to raise £198,000 so far but Mr Nazir said the mix-up had caused an 'unnecessary headache', which was made worse when they lost their

wallets for a few hours.

However, he added that things got better after they were helped by the airport's chief of police and the owner of the apartment they were staying at in Istanbul.

Mr Nazir said: "After that,

someone handed in our cards to the lost and found but they took out a bit of money.

Then the battle started and the airline were trying to charge us £250 for a no-show.



ALL SMILES: Abuzar Kazmj (left), and Amer Nazir (right) said their Turkish apartment owner (centre) helped them fight their case

"We called our apartment owner who came to help us and the airline checked to see that I had put the bikes through. They accepted their faults and then they gave us tickets for another flight."

He added: "It cost us an unnecessary headache and the worst moment came when I realised that I had lost my wallet and I had no bikes. "It all came together in the end because of the determi-

nation of me, my friend and

our Turkish friend. I think it also helped that I met the chief of police because before that, I had spoken to about 11 people but no-one seemed to

The pair, who set off on February 28, have already been through seven countries and are due to finish in November. Luton on Sunday contacted Turkish Airlines for a comment, but the airline had not responded at the time of going to press.





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# Poetry society celebrates the best of the bard to mark day of his birth

#### **POETRY**

#### SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Conference room, Luton Central Library

HE is one of England's greatest exports and later this month whole the world will pay

tribute to him.
Luton will be following suit and the town's Poetry Society will once again be hosting their annual William Shakespeare birthday 'party'.

The celebration takes place on the final weekend of April, this year marking 451 years since the bard was born.

Founder of Luton Poetry Society and Luton Poet Laureate, Mary Emeji said: "He's my inspiration and has been for many years.
"I feel a strong connection to his works as we

write on similar themes."

The Nigerian-born poet and law graduate, who moved from Nigeria in 2003 to study at the University of Bedfordshire, has been writ-

ing poetry since her teenage years. She was appointed Luton's Poet Laureate in 2012 and has released six poetry collections since, one of which has been acknowledged by Her Majesty's office.

Such is Mary's connection to Shakespeare, she released a collection titled Timeless Date in which she combined her own work with Shakespeare's.
She said: "I decided to do a book with him.

It's like my very own Doctor Who Tardis where William meets Mary and time freezes. The cocktail of poems will lead one to believe that these two really know each other. I found there was a real connection in the works, despite

them being from two different poets."

This will be the fourth annual event celebrating the birth, life, and works of Shakespeare. On the previous events, Mary said: "William Shakespeare is the poet of poets, we usually start off our monthly meet-



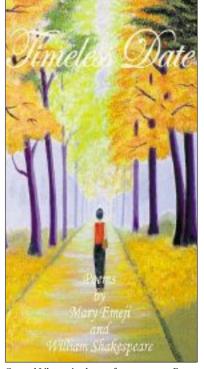
ings with a poem by William on the chosen theme for the day. Our yearly celebration of his birthday is so profound because you hear many poets perform Shakespeare in varied forms and voices. It's amazing, and we learn from each other."

Local poets will be performing at the event,

both with poems of their own and also some of the works of the man himself.

"Everyone is welcome to come along to the event and recite some of their own works if they wish, whether they are members or non-

The event will run from 2-4pm at Luton



Central Library in the conference room. Entry is £3 for non-members and free for members of the society. Membership costs £20 a year and covers entry to all their monthly events. For more information on Luton Poetry Society, the events, and Mary's work, visit lutonpoetryso-

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#### **THEATRE**

#### DRAMA SEASON

The Grove Theatre, Dunstable

SUSPENSE and intrigue is the order of the day this month at the Grove Theatre as its drama season opens.

Starting on April 23 with James Cawood's tense thriller, Stone Cold Murder, spine-tingling productions will be making its way to Dunstable to provide what should be good nights out for family and friends. In Stone Cold Murder, Olivia and Robert,

success of their first season when things take a sinister turn.

Their bliss is disrupted by the arrival of a rugged hiker seeking shelter and as the evening unfolds, it becomes clear that the hiker's presence in the desolate spot is anything but a coincidence.

The play stars Freya Copeland (Emmerdale), Gary Turner (Emmerdale) and David Callister (The Bill).

Stone Cold Murder is followed by Arnold Ridley's classic comedy thriller The Ghost

Train, which hits the stage on May 28.

The story is about a group of stranded travellers who chance upon a remote railway station but then soon find that all is not what it appears to be. They meet the station master who warns them of a ghostly train that haunts the line and if anyone sets eyes upon it, they're doomed.

After this follows Alan Ayckbourn's comic play Table Manners on June 25, which depicts the interplay between an extended family whose members simultaneously despise each other and can't get enough of each other.

Central to these relationships is Norman,

who needs desperately to be needed...by anyone, especially his career-obsessed wife Ruth.

Anna Brecon and David Callister

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The group performs a mixture of original work as well as their own arrangements of classic rock and pop songs.

It consists of two harpists and a guitarist

and in addition to playing at festivals across the UK, they have also been abroad in Belgium and France.

Eddie Brown, who plays guitar and is also on the vocals, said the group prides themselves on being able to offer audiences a variety of musicial sounds.

He said: "I would say we are quite an original act. We like to play a lot of our own original compositions. We also like taking heavy metal songs and making them serene, taking rock songs and stringing them out; taking pop songs and making them differ-ent and taking classical tunes and jazzing

them up a bit.

Carol Walker, who plays the harp and does backing vocals, said: "People who come to see us do get surprised and very much entertained by us because we just don't play waste was do nut on a bit of on a ct."

we do put on a bit of an act."

She added: "We can turn our hands to most things. We can tailor ourselves to any event, so if people want to book us but don't want us to do the really wild sort of heavy metal side and they want us to be a little bit more tame, we can do that."

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Service, is designed to help you find where you are and what was there before you came.

It is part of a series of talks which will introduce you to common archive sources and the skills for using them.

Pamela Birch, the archive service manager, said maps tended to interest people as they were so 'immediate' and visual, and offered a window into the past.

She said: "An awful lot of maps were not produced until the 18th century, so really it starts with the industrial revolution as a means to see how the landscape is changing

and how they want to change it.

"In Bedfordshire, you get maps that change according to how agri-



WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?: The talk will give you advice on how to use maps and search through the archive files

culture was arranged. It goes from there being open fields to becom-ing more closed. "People used to have strips of land

scattered around and what the revolution did was to really change the landscape and that's when a lot of really important maps start to be produced.

"The other thing about maps is that they do not only tell you what was there but what people wanted to put there but never managed to do so. They have all sorts of uses.

The decision to put on the event was born out of trends the archive service noticed among its users.

Pamela said whenever someone pulled out a map in the search room, it almost inevitably drew other people away from what they

were doing to take a look.

She is hoping the talk will be an educational experience.

She added: "We hope that people will feel that they understand more about what maps can do for them and some of the things they need to be aware of when they do use them.

"All the talks that we have been doing are about giving them knowledge and opening up new possibilities to them.

Tickets are available at a cost of £2 per person. To book call Luton Central Library on 01582 547418.

#### Welcome in the spring by going on a park walk

#### **WALKS**

#### DISCOVER DUNSTABLE DOWNS

#### **Dunstable Downs**

FOLLOWING the midweek sun it looks as if we've left the winter chill well and truly

There are a number of walks across Dunstable Downs coming up over the next few months in which you can soak up the spring weather and wildlife. The first is this coming Saturday, which will be a guided tour with the ranger team who will guide you around Sundon Hills Country Park, focusing

on the newly blooming spring flowers.
The tour leaves from the main car park at 2pm and runs until 3.30pm.

Normal park entry prices apply for this walk, along with ticket prices.

For you early birds, there is the Dawn Chorus Sunday on May 3.

The tour, starting and finishing at Chiltern Gateway Centre, runs from 4.30am until 7.30am and will teach you how to identify different bird songs.

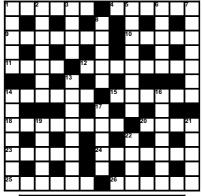
On Saturday, May 16 there is a walk again at the Chilterns Gateway Centre which will teach you about the Duke of Burgundy Butterfly which calls the downs home.
The walk will leave the centre at 2pm and

last until approximately 3.30pm.

There is a second chance to see the butterflies on May 30, leaving the Chilterns

Gateway Centre at 2pm.
All tickets are £4. For more details on attending any of the events call 01582 500920 or email dunstabledowns@nation-

#### **PUZZLE CORNER**



#### **THINKER**

- ACROSS
  1 Cheerful adoptee on the rise (6)
  4 Bones said to be found in rows (6)
  9 Pointless quest after prohibition of feast (7)
  10 He's too young for dangerous job, we hear (5)
  11 Running from north-east to the light (4)
  12 Drain too offensive for restaurant (8)
  14 Able to extract a butcher's chopper (6)
  15 Talk a lot about pastry (6)
  18 Some cheap Asti, cheap plonk, a mix of styles (8)
  20 Fixed line whilst wasting time in hired cars (4)
  23 Choose, after promotion, to have extra child (5)
  24 Colourless, lacking drive (7)
  25 Crab, perhaps, but only a small one (6)
  26 Guard posted by railway (6)

- 1 Burn a building in built-up area (5)
- 2 Be partially successful in an attractive way (7) 3 Scoundrel loses heart to a rake (4)

- 3 Scoundrel loses heart to a rake (4)
  5 Maid once appeared as entertainer (8)
  6 Man to go slowly (5)
  7 Viv sure is stupid, but she'll get by (7)
  8 Finally missing end part of book (5)
  13 Get small put-down (8)
  14 Seaman might panic at getting lost (7)
  16 Use the F-word at the dance (7)
  17 In a bit of a rush until the accident (5)
  19 Boat's in rising water (5)
  21 It's unwise to be sick in slummy surroundings (5)
  22 Fool rustles up dessert with last of rice (4)

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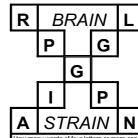
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THE property market can sometimes seem a bit like the weather. Some days it is fine and sometimes it is rainy

The market is a bit like that at the moment. Just when it looks as if there is no momentum there is a surge of interest and then as quickly as it comes it stops - just like an April shower.

So in this pre-general election period buyers and sellers seem to lurch between wanting to do something but at the same time worrying about doing it. It is almost as if they know that there are so many factors that are in place that make buying a new home favourable but that there are others which could in the future weigh against such a big decision.

So the answer for some seems to be not to do anything at all. But for many that is not the answer. Parents with young children may need to move before the autumn term for schooling reasons – or rather good-schooling reasons. Then there are the work-related movers and those whose lives have reached a stage where selling and/or buying is a matter of necessity rather than choice.

So if you are going to buy or sell in the coming months when the weather in the property market seems fickle, as long as you take some sensible precautions there is no real reason to get wet. In fact by the time all the others come out from wherever they have been sheltering you will be home and dry.



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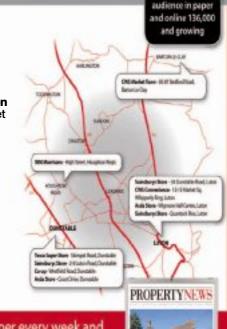
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Seamarks Court

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This 4 bed mid terrace property with garage is situated in the ever popular Wardown Park area of Luton and is within walking distance to all local transport and amenties.

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£150,000

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£250,000



This 3 bedroom mid terrace property is situated in the Bushmead area of Luton The property briefly comprises of driveway leading to entrance/garage, lounge, separate diner, kitchen and conservatory.

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VAUXHALL PARK



£220,000



Three bedroom semi-detached bungalow in the 'Stopsley' area of Luton. The property consists of: 2 ground floor bedrooms with a third room to the first floor, lounge/diner, kitchen/breakfast room, garage and driveway and large garden to rear. VIEW NOW! EPC: E

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£180,000



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### Beechwood Road



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Toddington Road



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# PRESS RELEASE

**March 2015** 

# Do your research on letting agents advises Connells

Local estate agency Connells in **Luton** is urging both landlords and tenants to pick their letting agents wisely, before entering into an agreement that may not provide the protection you require.

"It is vital that both tenants and landlords do some research into the letting agent they are putting their trust into before they sign an agreement or hand any money over," says **Justin Walters**, **Lettings Manager** at Connells **Luton**. After the Government's announcement that retiree's are now able to access a greater proportion of their pension annuity, some aspiring investors may turn their focus to buy-to-let property. With this in mind, Connells believes that now is an extremely important time for anybody thinking of letting a property to be aware of the correct and current procedures to ensure you are gaining the best possible return from your property and have the right tenants to match your needs.

"There may be an influx of novice landlords over the next few months because of the recent pension changes. Therefore we believe it is vitally important that landlords understand the importance of their letting agent being transparent about the fees they charge and how they are regulated," says.

"Here at Connells we are a member of the Association of Residential Letting Agents (ARLA) which is the leading regulatory letting body in the UK. We also hold our tenant's deposits in the Tenant Deposit Scheme which offers security to both landlords and tenants when the tenancy comes to an end. The services we offer as a letting agent are exactly the type of procedures agents should be providing to protect their customers and it is imperative that whether you are a tenant or landlord you do your research into this before rushing into instructing an agent or letting a house from them," **Justin** finishes.

For more information on the local property market visit your local Connells branch at **Luton** or call **01582 840999**.



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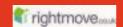
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Full time

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### Are you:

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- · Dedicated, organised and enthusiastic?
- · Talented and creative?
- · An inspirational practitioner?

If so, we can offer:

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# Closing Date: 24th April 2015, Noon Interview Date: 1st May 2015

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MPR/UPR

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- · Able to lead and inspire others?
- An excellent, inspirational classroom practitioner?
- · Able to have impact on the educational progress beyond your assigned pupils?
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# MPR/UPR

Full time

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- Passionate about children's learning?
- · Dedicated, organised and enthusiastic?
- · Talented and creative?
- An inspirational practitioner?
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### Closing Date: 22nd April 2015, Noon Interview Date: 29th April 2015

For further details on any of the above roles and for an application pack, please visit www.tithefarmprimary.co.uk and select Community or contact Mrs S Surgey on 01582 865047 or e-mail tithefarmprimary@cbc.beds.sch.uk. Prospective applicants are encouraged to visit the school, by arrangement with the Head teacher, Mrs S Surgey

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Closing date: 3rd May 2015

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Please quote appropriate reference number.

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Fixed-term

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MPR/UPR plus a recruitment incentive

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Fixed-term

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To arrange an informal discussion, please contact Ms Paula Sanders, PA to the Headteacher Email: headspa@icknield.primaryluton.co.uk

Visits to the school are encouraged, by appointment

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Closing date: 5th May 2015

Interview date: Week commencing 11th May 2015

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START DATE: September 2015





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Visits to the Academy before making an application are warmly welcomed - please contact the Headteachers PA on 01582 523000.

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For further details and an application pack, please contact:-

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(CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.55) ORDER 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on 13th April 2015 Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, made the above Orders under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). The Orders come into operation on Monday 27th April 2015

The Orders

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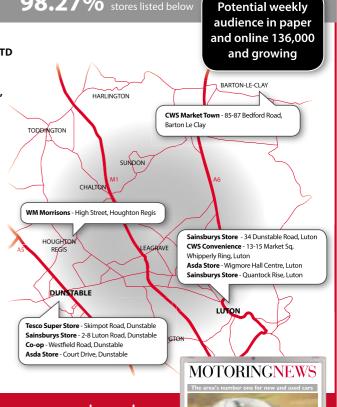
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The Renault Twingo switches from a front-engined front-wheel drive hatch to a rear-engined rear-wheel drive city car. Developed in conjunction with Daimler, Renault's baby looks set to give rivals such as the Peugeot 108 and Volkswagen up! something to worry about.

The big news with this Twingo is that compared to its pre-decessor, it's completely back to front. Where that car was a front-engined front-wheel drive platform, much like almost every other city car on sale. this time round there's been a radical change. The engine is now located at the back and drives the rear wheels. Yes, like a Smart car.

If you didn't know the engine was where you'd normally put your shopping, you'd probably never guess from the outside. The Twingo has a fairly conventional city car silhouette, with elements of Fiat 500 in its cheeky domed profile. The front end adopts the usual Renault family face with bulging headlamps and a detail strip that frames the huge centrally-mounted Renault diamond. Punched inboard of the headlight pods are LED daytime running lights. The design team, headed up by Laurens van den Acker, wanted to evoke the feel of the Renault 5 and the rake of the Twingo's rear screen and the prominent shoulders are said to be inspired by the rearengined Renault 5 Turbo.

The Renault Twingo is a car that doesn't feel particularly rear-engined to drive, which leaves you wondering what the point is. Then you begin to appreciate the benefits. The front wheels can pivot to 45 degrees, giving the car astonishing manoeuvrability. Rotating the engine and putting it under the boot floor, gives a seriously low centre of gravity, helping both handling and packaging.

Most citycars are at their best

in entry-level trims, but the Twingo feels a more assured prospect with a bit more kit in it. In fact, the top of the range Dy-namique 90 ENERGY would be our pick, and at under £12,000, it looks very good value against a Volkswagen up! The Twingo was always a fun choice but one that struggled as a genuine all-rounder. Renault looks to have given this third-generation car the tools it needs to give the class leaders a real scare.





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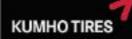






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**HATTERS** 

**SKY BET LEAGUE TWO LUTON TOWN** HARTLEPOOL UNITED

**BY JAMES CUNLIFFE** 

LEGEND has it that, during the Napoleonic Wars, some Hartlepudlian fishermen mistook an ape, which had washed upon the shore, for a French spy and sentenced it to death via the hangman's noose.

It is, in all likelihood, an apocryphal story which, until this victory, was every bit as fanciful as the notion that Luton Town would qualify for the League Two play-offs. But the Hatters made monkeys out of Hartlepool United and now all bets are on.

Cameron McGeehan opened the scoring in the fifth minute, followed by a lesser spotted penalty for Jake Howells on his 24th birthday and Scott Griffiths added a third in the second

Bar a 20 minute, second half wobble this was the Hatters' best performance in months, yet it is one thing to claim their most recent victories against two relegation candidates - Pools and anmere - now they must see off play-off rivals Southend and Stevenage to book a place in the top seven.

In that endeavour they were aided by Carlisle, who beat the seventh-placed Argyle, to leave Luton level on points with the Pilgrims and out of the top seven but only now on goal difference. Perhaps things are looking up after all.

"It was a good day all round," said assistant manager Terry Harris, adding: "We knew today we needed to get a win to take it on to next Saturday, really, regardless of how results went elsewhere in the country.

"Please God, it goes okay for us next Saturday and we'll move on to the last game of the sea

son, but one game at a time.
"We've said to the players for a while that it [play-offs] is possible, we can do this and please believe what we say and they have done

Luton made three changes from the brave ten-man stand and midweek draw at Dagenham with Mark Cullen, Shaun Whalley and Howells all restored to the starting line-up and they would prove inspired choices.

But first McGeehan squeezed a header through a crowd of bodies in the Pools six-yard box. It was a soft goal but Town have been due a slice of good fortune for quite some time. That was exceeded by a miracle ten minutes later when Whalley wriggled into the penalty box and went down in instalments, though it

Referee Gary Sutton pointed to the spot and, after waiting 192 days for a penalty between September and Easter, Howells converted their second in four games.

The birthday boy then sliced the visitors open

# Stockwood roar to Bedfordshire Cup final glory

### **RUGBY UNION**

BY TIM BARTLETT

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STOCKWOOD Park RFC beat local rivals Dunstablians 37-22 to win this season's Bedfordshire Cup yesterday.

It is the 12th time Park have won the competition and they have successfully defended it after also lifting the trophy by winning the final against Biggleswade last season.

The game marks the end of a season the Dees will want to forget after they already suffered relegation from Midlands Two East South this term to join Stockwood in the division below.

Two first-half tries from Kyle Jennings, with Steve Pollock adding both conversions and a penalty, gave Stockwood a 17-10 lead, as they turned around to face the Dees in the second half with the wind on their backs.

Skipper Jamie Hoque extended Stockwood's advantage after the restart, with Pollock converting. "He [Hoque] was absolutely outstanding, the

game's man of the match," said Stockwood Park's President John Humphries. "He was everywhere, in support of all the play."

Pollock added two penalties in response to a Dees try, before Aaron Beattie finished off a

Stockwood drive, converted by Pollock to give Park a 22-point lead.

Although the Dees scored late on, Stockwood Park were not to be denied cup glory.

"It was a very entertaining cup final," said Humphries. "Both sides contributed and Stockwood Park put down their marker for next season, where these teams will be facing each other in the league."

Luton RFC signed off the season in some style, beating Romford & Gidea Park 17-13 on the road in London One North. The win makes no difference to the final league position, from Luton's perspective. They finish the season in 10th position having won 12 out of their 26 matches.

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SPOT ON: Shaun Whalley is brought down for a penalty, left, and the Hatters celebrate after Jake Howells converts, right.

Pictures: Gareth Owen

# on after huge Pools win

with a 40-yard through-ball which Cullen should have done better with than to run into keeper Scott Flinders

The top scorer had the ball in the net soon after but was deemed offside when snaffling the rebound from Elliot Lee's parried shot.

Even before that, rampant Town could have had a third but Nicky Featherstone cleared a Whalley blast off the line.

instinctive

reactions of Elliot Justham prevented Michael Harriman



undeserved life-line, while Flinders matched that with a onehanded stop to deny Lee at the other end.

Cullen and Luke Wilkinson could have done better with a pair of chances before break the because, with a trip to Roots Hall next week, Town will need to brush up on their finish-

ing. That

emphasised early in the second half when Lee squandered a

Harrison but tried to go it alone when three of his team-mates were lining up for a tap-in.

Luton then inexplicably sat off United, but the north-east outfit didn't have the tools to capitalise and so, from a rare second half corner, Griffiths scrambled the ball home for his second of the season. That killed Hartlepool's mini revival and completed part one of the Mission Almost-Impossible

Now for the difficult sequel.

Luton: Justham, Smith, McNulty, Howells (Guttridge, 82),
Griffiths, Cullen, Whalley (Hall, 75), Harriman, Wilkinson, Lee (Miller, 87), McGeehan

Unused subs: Lacey, Wall, Kinsella, King Hartlepool: Flinders, Austin, Franks, Harewood, Featherstone, Fenwick (Jones, 64), Jones, Duckworth, Hugill (Nelson-Addy, 77), Harrison, Tshibola

Unused subs: Bates, Walker, Parnaby, Maxated, Richards, Referee: Gary Sutton Attendance: 8, 231 (277)

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# Barton claim crucial victory as they set sights on going up

golden chance to wrap up three points after he robbed Scott

# **FOOTBALL**

# BY NICK SMITH

A TWO minute double-salvo for Barton Rovers saw them beat Hanwell Town 3-2 yesterday and leap-frog Rugby Town into the final play-off spot ahead of the final game of the season on Saturday.

The result leaves Barton in pole position to take the last play-off spot in the Southern League Division One Central.
Rugby lost 2-0 at Daventry, which leaves

Barton two points ahead of the challengers. Hanwell took the lead in the 18th minute. after Eoin Casey was tripped in the box. Michael Buckley stepped up and buried the spot kick to give the hosts the lead.

However, it didn't take the visitors long to get back on terms, with Ben Sawyer's strike levelling the game after 25 minutes.

The two sides went in level at the break

In the 55th minute, Hanwell regained the

lead following a defensive mix up.

Ian Bywater pressured Kyle Watson, nabbing the ball off him to slot home and give the

hosts the advantage once more. However, Russell Bull stepped up when needed for Rovers.

In the 74th minute, he netted the equaliser and just two minutes later he scored what proved to be a crucial winner.

The win leaves Barton in a great position to be involved in the play-offs where a spot in the Southern Premier Division will be at stake.

The final games of the season sees Barton travel to Aylesbury United, while Rugby welcome second placed Royston Town and must win to stand a chance of making the play-offs ahead of Rovers.

Dunstable Town will await whoever gets promoted to the Southern Premier Division - but the mid-table Blues were not in league action vesterday.

In the Spartan South Midlands Premier Division, AFC Dunstable ran out convincing

Goals from Jermaine Hall (2), Leon Cashman, Brandon Carney and an own goal saw them win 5-1 against relegation threatened opponents.

The big victory sees AFC remain in third place in the table after what has been a posi-

In Division One, Crawley Green enjoyed a 3-1 home win against Southall.

There was a big victory in Division Two for

The 61 FC (Luton) who thrashed visiting Grendon Rangers 6-1.

Kent Athletic drew 2-2 at Old Bradwell United while Totternhoe were 4-1 winners at home to visiting Wolverton Town.

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# McGeehan hopes Town have found some magic



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# **BY JAMES CUNLIFFE**

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CAMERON McGeehan insisted that yesterday's 3-0 win over Hartlepool United could be "the magic" Luton Town need to fire themselves into the League Two play-offs.

The midfielder broke the deadlock in the fifth minute, while Jake Howells netted from the spot on his 24th birthday and Scott Griffiths wrapped up a first win in three

Results elsewhere boosted the Hatters too as seventhplaced Plymouth lost at Carlisle which means they are keeping the Kenilworth Road side out of the top seven by virtue of a better goal difference, with just two games left to play

McGeehan said: "It couldn't

have gone any better really.
"You don't really want to be looking over your shoulder or looking at other results, but it has come to the stage of the season where you have to

because it is not in our hands

yet.
"When it is in our hands we won't be looking, we'll just be concentrating on ourselves, but if we get the two wins that we need, I'm sure that will be enough."

Town now face tough tests against play-off rivals Southend and Stevenage, so six points is the target, which would also put them in a small run of form, should they qualify for the end of season shake-up.

"It could be the perfect time," said McGeehan, adding: "The gaffer has said that you might be in the play-offs and safe and then the season fizzles out a little bit until you get into the play-off games, when you're not in form.

"Maybe that's the magic we need. We've got a bit of form going into it and hopefully if we win the next two we'll be flying."

The Hatters beat Southend 2-0 back in October – a game which McGeehan watched from the stands as a fan.

He said: "Southend are a good team with a good man-

ager, but I came to watch the game when they played Southend and they [Luton] absolutely dominated the game. Battered them.

"There's absolutely no reason why we can't go to their place and do exactly the same

"There's absolutely no reason why we can't go to their place and do exactly the same thing because they might not need the points as much as us."

McGeehan's early header against Hartlepool was his first goal back at Kenilworth Road since returning to the club for a second loan spell in February.

Club for a second reference.

"It's a special stadium for me," the Norwich loan ace said, adding: "It was the first stadium I ever played at, in front of a great crowd and the first first-team environment I was in, so I love going out there and putting on the orange.

"It's what I've wanted to do since I left and now I'm able to do it we've got a good win under our belts.

"We've got to keep believing and keep the fans doing what they do best, which is singing away and celebrating."

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